

Village of Canal Winchester 36 South High Street Canal Winchester, Ohio 43110-1213

Village Council Monday, May 5, 2008 7:00 PM

Minutes

Call to Order:

Mr. Deeds called the meeting to order at 7:02pm

Pledge of Allegiance:

Mr. Paini led the Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call:

John Bender

Rick Deeds

Bruce Jarvis

Bobbie Mershon

Victor Paini

Marilyn Rush-Ekelberry

Leah Turner

Approval of Minutes:

Dr. Bender moved to approve the minutes from the April 21st, 2008 meeting. Mrs. Turner seconded the motion.

VOTE:

AYES Dr. Bender, Mr. Deeds, Mr. Jarvis, Mrs. Mershon, Mr. Paini,

Ms. Rush-Ekelberry, Mrs. Turner

NAYS

Motion carried.

Communications & Petitions:

A thank you letter was received from Jeffrey D Damron of Adventures for Wish Kids for the Bed Tax Grant.

A thank you letter was received from Janine Taylor of the Canal Winchester Education Fund for the Bed Tax Grant.

A thank you letter was received from Sherry Baughman of the Canal Winchester After Prom Committee for the Bed Tax Grant.

A letter was received from Becky Edwards and Audra McMurray regarding funding for Indigent Burials. Ms. Osborn stated that currently \$1000 per year is appropriated for indigent burials. If there is a request, the status of the individual must be very clearly shown as indigent. The only concern is that we do not have a burial plot for the individual.

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Mrs. Rush-Ekelberry spoke with the caretaker of the Potter's field at Union Grove cemetery, Dale Grimes, and he stated that should the need arise, Council would have to meet with the Trustees of Union Grove and they would make provisions for the burial.

Mrs. Turner stated that Lancaster limits their indigent burials to three per year and asked if we had such a limit. Ms. Osborn stated that the \$1000 would cover one burial. However, we have only used the fund once in 9 years.

A letter was received from Patti L. Smith of the Ohio EPA regarding a Public Notice of an NPDES permit for the Fairfield County Board of Commissioners for the County Wastewater Treatment Plant discharge into Walnut Creek. Comments for the discharge are being accepted at this time, through May, and must be submitted in writing.

A letter was received from Insight Communications, Inc regarding changes in channel line up which will be effective on June 26, 2008.

A letter was received from the Ohio Historical Society regarding the grant application for a Historical Marker for the Interurban which was once again denied.

Village Residents Comments:

Five-minute limit per person

John Garrett, of 250 Cherokee Ct. S, gave an update of the Main Street Program and the recent Gala event. The purpose of the Gala was to recognize businesses that move into town and volunteers for their efforts. Each year Shirley Meuser and her Committee chooses "Best Restoration", "Best Window Display" or "Marketing Efforts". This year, Miss Miriam's Wig Wam was recognized for Best Restoration. Diane's Flowers was recognized for the Best Window Display and Fern's Attic received the recognition for Best Marketing.

Also this year, Brant Family Farm, a vendor from the Farmer's Market, was recognized for being a part of the Farmer's Market for the last ten years.

Sandy Waites was recognized for all her efforts in volunteering for the Farmer's Market every week.

Some of the new businesses that were recognized were Fern's Attic, Diane's Flowers, Team Gear, Nationwide Insurance, Wig Wam and U-Choose.

The year, Mrs. Rush-Ekelberry and Patty Spires did a fantastic skit that represented what the town was like in the years 1947-1951. It was very educational and interesting.

Mr. Garrett also noted that Dave Hummell, one of the vendors in our Farmer's Market, was featured in an article in the Columbus Dispatch this week.

ORDINANCES:

FIRST Reading:

Sponsor: Mrs. Mershon

O-05-08A AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH THE RATES TO BE CHARGED FOR

CONCESSION FOOD AND DRINKS AT THE MUNICIPAL SWIMMING POOL.

Mrs. Mershon read the ordinance. First Reading only.

Sponsor: Mrs. Mershon

O-05-08B AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE 2008 APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 77-

07.Amendment #1

Mrs. Mershon read the ordinance. First Reading only.

Ms. Osborn clarified the requested appropriations via a handout...

\$220 A1-1-D-230 Franklin/Fairfield County EMA - The appropriation for this account is always based on the estimates provided by these offices. However, when the expense is deducted from our Real Estate Settlement the actual costs are deducted. This year our appropriation was short.

\$15,000 A1-3-B-250-3 Interurban —A purchase order was not done at the end of 2007 to set these funds aside from that budget for the purchase of the additional portion of the building. Therefore, we are asking Council to appropriate the funds for the repairs required as a part of the closing for the purchase of the additional portion of the structure.

\$5,898.00 A1-7-A-232 County Taxes - When we are given park land then we are responsible for making the tax payments for at least the first year of ownership. The additional funds were not put in the appropriations for the parkland donated by Dominion in 2007.

\$8,000.00 A1-7-E-230-1 L/B Utilities Town Hall – Additional funds are needed to meet the higher than normal utility bills for this structure.

\$10,000.00 A1-7-E-231 L/B Contract Services – Several of the maintenance contracts for the various village structures increased this year which requires the adjustment in the contract services account.

\$600.00 A1-7-F-230 Tax Del/Land Adv - Advertising by the County for Delinquent Taxes. Costs are deducted directly from the Real Estate Tax Settlement and higher than normal this year.

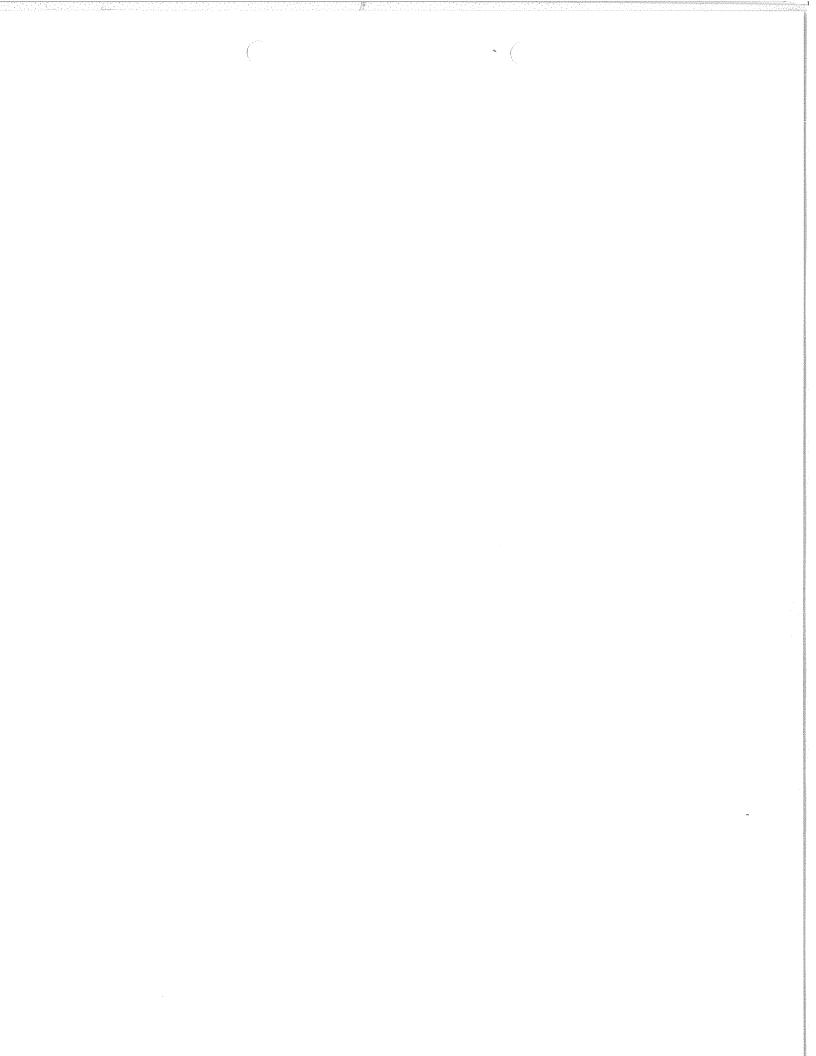
\$1200.00 A1-7-F-231 Election Expense - Election expenses are deducted directly from the Real Estate Tax Settlement and were higher than estimated for the 2007 elections.

\$14,010.00 A1-2-D-230 CW Human Services – Grant for a portion of the costs for the coordinator.

\$14,020.96 E2-5-I-271 Debt Services – Debt payments increased on a sliding scale for 2008 and I neglected to use the correct debt payment numbers in the 2008 appropriations.

\$25,000.00 E2-5-C-230 Pumping Lab Additional funds for hauling sludge due to high water volumes this spring.

\$400,000.00 E2-5-C-250 Pumping Capital Funds for the purchase of the sludge press, auger, and associated building based on the estimate provided by the engineer.



SECOND Reading:

Sponsor: Dr. Bender

O-04-08F AN ORDINANCE TO NAME 48.14 ACRES OF PARK LAND LOCATED AT THE

SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE INTERSECTION OF DIETZ ROAD AND WASHINGTON STREET AS THE "JAMES H KELLEY III PRESERVE".

Dr. Bender read the Ordinance. Second Reading only

Sponsor: Mrs. Turner

O-04-08G AN ORDINANCE TO NAME 4.834 ACRES OF PARK LAND LOCATED ON HOWE

PARKWAY "THE HOWE POND PARK"

Mrs. Turner read the Ordinance. Second Reading only.

THIRD Reading:

Sponsor: Mrs. Mershon

O-04-08C AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 157.12 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES

WITH REGARDS TO THE APPEAL OF A LANDMARKS COMMISSION DECISION

Mrs. Mershon read the Ordinance and moved to adopt Ordinance 25-08. Mr. Jarvis seconded the motion.

VOTE:

AYES Dr. Bender, Mr. Deeds, Mr. Jarvis, Mrs. Mershon, Mr. Paini,

Ms. Rush-Ekelberry, Mrs. Turner

NAYS

Motion carried.

Sponsor: Mrs. Rush-Ekelberry

O-04-08D AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 99-05 TO CHANGE THE JOB

DESCRIPTION OF THE "BUILDING INSPECTOR" TO "BUILDING OFFICIAL"

Mrs. Rush-Ekelberry read the Ordinance and moved to adopt Ordinance 26-08. Seconded by Mr. Jarvis.

VOTE:

AYES Dr. Bender, Mr. Deeds, Mr. Jarvis, Mrs. Mershon, Mr. Paini,

Ms. Rush-Ekelberry, Mrs. Turner

NAYS

Motion carried.

Sponsor: Mrs. Mershon

O-04-08E

AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH THE VILLAGE EMPLOYEE SALARY RANGES FOR

2008 FOR THE SWIMMING POOL

Mrs. Mershon read the Ordinance and moved to adopt Ordinance 27-08. Mr. Paini seconded the motion.

VOTE:

AYES Dr. Bender, Mr. Deeds, Mr. Jarvis, Mrs. Mershon, Mr. Paini,

Ms. Rush-Ekelberry, Mrs. Turner

NAYS

Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS

THIRD Reading

Sponsor: Mr. Jarvis

R-04-08A

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE TAX INCENTIVE REVIEW COUNCIL FOR THE FAIRFIELD COUNTY ENTERPRISE ZONE AREAS

WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF CANAL WINCHESTER

Mr. Jarvis read the resolution and moved to adopt Resolution 06-08. Mr. Paini seconded the motion.

VOTE:

AYES Dr. Bender, Mr. Deeds, Mr. Jarvis, Mrs. Mershon, Mr. Paini,

Ms. Rush-Ekelberry, Mrs. Turner

NAYS

Motion carried.

Sponsor: Mr. Jarvis

R-04-08C

A RESOLUTION TO CONFIRM MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS TO THE FAIRFIELD

TAX INCENTIVE REVIEW COUNCIL AND THE FRANKLIN TAX INCENTIVE REVIEW

COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF CANAL WINCHESTER

Mr. Jarvis read the resolution and moved to adopt Resolution 07-08. Dr. Bender seconded the motion.

VOTE:

AYES Dr. Bender, Mr. Deeds, Mr. Jarvis, Mrs. Mershon, Mr. Paini,

Ms. Rush-Ekelberry, Mrs. Turner

NAYS

Motion carried.

Mayor's Report:

Village staff attended a NIMS training exercise on April 29th in conjunction with Madison Township fire and police. The scenario was a mock tornado and Village staff preformed well at the exercise. Mayor Ebert thanked Mr. Peoples for initiating the training.

The Community Watch program will go forth with training in June.

Public Works Director:

Mr. Peoples stated that the last set of bills is being sent out to the residents of Pickerington per the agreement made with Pickerington earlier.

WTP used the old well-field for the first time and it went well overall. It is a good contingency plan to have.

Development Director:

Mr. Strayer stated that 1315 E Waterloo is in the building department for their redevelopment.

The gas station at the corner of Waterloo and Washington will house a wellness clinic soon.

The Marathon station is still in the works.

The CWICC met twice last week. We are working on some possible projects there.

KCDG has submitted their traffic study for the 35 acre development on Diley Road, so that has been given to the engineers and staff and we are waiting for their comments.

The Buxton Study is complete and Mr. Strayer will take it to the ICSC Conference in a couple weeks and is looking forward to see what type of feedback is received.

Community Affairs Director:

Mayor Ebert gave Ms. Hoover's report in her absence.

The Community Center senior's will hold their annual trash and treasure sale on June 19^{th} , 20^{th} , and 21^{st} .

Media was given information regarding the opening of the pool, the Relay for Life fundraiser and Art in the Park.

Community newsletter should be ready to go out the week of May 12th.

The Municipal pool opening will be on Tuesday, May 27th from 4-8pm. It will then be open on weekends from 12-8pm. Starting on June 7th through August 27th, the pool will be open Monday – Saturday from 11am – 8pm and Sunday from 12 – 8pm. Memberships will be sold on May 24th and 25th from 11-4pm, as well as during pool hours.

Reminder, Thursday, May 15th is the Relay for Life Fundraiser at Shades. Council members should be there at 5:30, the event begins at 6pm.

Music and Art in the Park kicks off on Friday the 16th with Viva Las Vegas theme. It will be held the third Friday of each month May through August. Other themes will include Blast from the Past, A Touch of Country and Island Rhythm on the Canal.

Village Solicitor:

Mr. Hollins added, in reference to the indigent burial fund, that other communities talk to the funeral home in advance to discuss procedures and rates to be expected.

The last 11 feet of the Interurban building was closed on since the last meeting.

Another JEDD meeting proved productive. Some changes to the JEDD document were discussed. A new draft incorporating these changes will be distributed to Council soon.

Fairfield County Sheriff:

Dep. Dixon read the report.

Finance Director:

The Village of Canal Winchester has agreed to be a distribution site for the Franklin County prescription card program. County Commissioners have entered into an agreement with Caremark, to provide a prescription card that will provide a discount of approximately 23% on uncovered prescriptions. The cards will be available in the Village offices for all Franklin County residents.

Council Reports:

Old Town Committee

Monday, May 12, 2008 at 5:45 PM

Finance Committee

Monday, June 2, 2008 at 5:45 PM

Service Committee Safety Committee

Monday, May 19, 2008 at 5:45 PM Monday, May 12, 2008 at 5:00 PM

Committee of the Whole

Monday, June 30, 2008 at 6:30 PM

An idea was proposed to have an afternoon session as opposed to a Saturday meeting. Tentative dates were discussed.

New Business:

Mrs. Mershon asked if the sound equipment could be fixed so that people could hear. Ms. Osborn stated lapel microphones are the only option, with free standing speakers in the audience.

Mr. Paini received a voicemail about the grass at the arson house and in the vacant lot a few lots down. Mr. Paini asked if Code Enforcement could be brought in to see that it is taken care of.

Any budget requests for the 2009 Budget should be given to Ms. Osborn by the end of May.

Old Business:

Final bed tax grants in the amount of \$5000 for CWAHS, \$1500 for Relay for Life and \$1500 for Football for Food were recommended by the Finance Committee.

Dr. Bender made a motion to approve final Bed Tax Grants. Mr. Paini seconded the motion.

VOTE:

AYES Dr. Bender, Mr. Deeds, Mr. Jarvis, Mrs. Mershon, Mr. Paini,

Ms. Rush-Ekelberry, Mrs. Turner

NAYS

Motion carried.

Adjourn to Executive Session:

Not needed at this time.

Adjournment:

Dr. Bender moved to adjourn. Mr. Paini seconded the motion.

VOTE:

AYES Dr. Bender, Mr. Deeds, Mr. Jarvis, Ms. Mershon, Mr. Paini,

Ms. Rush-Ekelberry, Ms. Turner

NAYS

Motion carried.

Time out: 7:49pm

Clerk of Council

President of Council

Date 19, 2008

Mayor

NOTE: The minutes set forth herein are an extract of the Council meetings. Anyone desiring a transcript of the complete minutes of the Council meeting may obtain the same at a cost of \$10.00 per page.